

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Saturday, January 2, 2010

Organizational & Regular Meeting

10:00 AM

City Hall

City Council

Thomas R. Kneeland, President of Council

Shane Ewald, Vice President of Council

Beryl D. Anderson

Thomas C. Evers

John R. McAlister

Nancy R. McGregor

David L. Samuel

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC, Clerk of Council

A. INTRODUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED OFFICIALS:

CITY COUNCIL, Ward 1 - John McAlister:

Oath Administered by Mayor Rebecca W. Stinchcomb

CITY COUNCIL, Ward 2 - Shane Ewald:

Oath Administered by Council Member Thomas R. Kneeland

CITY COUNCIL, Ward 3 - Thomas C. Evers:

Oath Administered by Council Member Thomas R. Kneeland

CITY COUNCIL, Ward 4 - Beryl D. Anderson:

Oath Administered by Mayor Rebecca W. Stinchcomb.

B. CALL TO ORDER - Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

The Honorable Rebecca W. Stinchcomb called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. following the swearing in of newly re-elected Council members and delivered an invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alaina West, daughter of Ward 4 Council Member Beryl D. Anderson.

Members Present: Thomas R. Kneeland, Shane W. Ewald, Nancy R. McGregor, John McAlister, Thomas C. Evers, Beryl D. Anderson and David L. Samuel

C. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Anderson, to appoint Thomas R. Kneeland as President of Council for the year 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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D. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT:

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by McAlister, to appoint Shane Ewald as Vice President of Council for the year 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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E. APPOINTMENTS:

Board of Zoning & Building Appeals

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Anderson, to reappoint Tim Pack to a 3 year term on the Board of Zoning and Building Appeals.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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Civil Service Commission

A motion was made by Samuel, seconded by Anderson, to appoint Judith Glenn to a 3 year term on the Civil Service Commission.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

Landscape Board

A motion was made by McAlister, seconded by Anderson, to appoint Frank O'Hare to the Landscape Board for a 3 year term. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

Parks & Recreation Board

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Vice President of Council Ewald, to reappoint Vinnie Tremante to a 3 year term on the Parks & Recreation Board. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

Planning Commission

A motion was made by Vice President of Council Ewald, seconded by Anderson, to appoint Anthony Penn to a 3 year term on the Planning Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

Mayoral Appointments:

Board of Zoning & Building Appeals, 3 Year Term - Asa Benjamin Winkler

Parks & Recreation Board, 3 Year Term - To be announced at a later date.

Planning Commission, 3 Year Term - Jennifer Price

Mayoral Appointments - To Be confirmed by Council:

MR-0001-2010

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointment of John Rosan to fill a 3 year term on the Income Tax Board of Review; said term expiring December 31, 2012.

A motion was made by Evers, seconded by Anderson, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
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MR-0002-2010

Motion Resolution to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Cynthia Canter to the CIC Board of Trustees for a 3 year term expiring December 31, 2012 and to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Mike Arens to the unexpired term ending December 31, 2010.

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Vice President of Council Ewald, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council
Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

F. ESTABLISH TIME AND DAY: Regular Council Meetings; Committee Meetings

A motion was made by Samuel, seconded by Vice President of Council Ewald, that Regular Council Meetings be held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, unless Monday falls on a holiday, then on the next Tuesday; Council Committees to be held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, unless Monday falls on a holiday, then on the next Tuesday, at the times established in the Rules of Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

G. ADOPTION OF RULES OF COUNCIL:

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Evers, to adopt Rules of Council as amended and dated October 5, 2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes 7 President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel

H. COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

Community Improvement Corporation - Shane Ewald & Kneeland as President of Council.

Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission - Nancy McGregor

Office and Industrial Incentive Program - Beryl D. Anderson

Convention & Visitors Bureau - To be made at a later date

Hamilton Road Corridor Study Committee - Thomas C. Evers

Gahanna Jefferson Board of Education - Rotational, as follows:

January - Ewald

February - Kneeland

March - McAlister

April - McGregor

May - Samuel

June - Anderson

July - Evers

August - Ewald

September - Kneeland

October - McAlister

November - McGregor

December - Samuel

I. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Kneeland stated committees would be the same as last year and the following assignments are made:

Public Service & Safety: McAlister, Chair, Evers, Ewald.

Development & Parks: Anderson, Chair, McGregor, Samuel

Committee of the Whole - All members of Council with Ewald as Chair.

Finance Committee - All members of Council with Samuel as Chair.

J. SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Kneeland stated there are no special committees at this time.

K. ADJOURNMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: 10:20 a.m. - Motion by Ewald.

L. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: 10:21 a.m.

M. HEARING OF VISITORS: None.

N. INTRODUCTIONS AND ASSIGNMENT TO COMMITTEE:

Ordinances - To Be Introduced and Assigned to Committee:

Ordinances introduced, by title, by Evers.

ORD-0006-2010

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC) FOR THE YEAR 2010

Introduced

ORD-0007-2010

TO ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE LANDSCAPE PLAN, DATED MAY 6, 2009, FOR THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO

Introduced, to Committee of the Whole

O. CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes - To Approve:

2010-0001

To approve the following set of minutes:

1) December 21, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

This Matter was Approved, on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading , Adopt:

ORD-0001-2010

TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, OHIO DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2010.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance: Introduce, Waive Second Reading, Adopt as Emergency:

ORD-0002-2010

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR UNCLASSIFIED PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010; TO REPEAL ORD-0006-2009; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0003-2010

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR COMMAND STAFF PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010; TO REPEAL ORD-0010-2009; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0004-2010

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY AND BENEFITS FOR SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010; TO REPEAL ORD-0008-2009; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

ORD-0005-2010

TO ESTABLISH THE RATES OF PAY FOR PART-TIME PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

This Matter was Introduced, Second Reading Waived, and Adopted as an Emergency on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Samuel, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	President of Council Kneeland, Vice President of Council Ewald, McGregor, Evers, Anderson, McAlister and Samuel
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End of the Consent Agenda

P. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Clerk - Legal: None.

Council: None.

Q. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor:

Stinchcomb offered congratulations to all; wish everyone a Happy New Year.

City Attorney: Absent.

R. COUNCIL COMMENT:

McAlister stated he was pleased to start off a new year; 4 representatives swore to uphold the constitution.

Ewald stated we passed the 2010 appropriations; did support it; will reiterate that I have concerns about spending levels; will review early next year; will start the budget process prior to June.

Evers thanked Maureen, Jonathan and Maggie; without their help wouldn't be serving.

Samuel wished everyone a Happy New Year; thank Service Department for fine work during light snowfalls; have 4 quick resolutions for the new year: 1) a stronger commitment to support local businesses and charitable groups; 2) more scrutiny of city finances and more frequent review; 3) increase effort to attract new businesses and retain those we have; and 4) maintain quality service that citizens expect which involves safety forces, Service Department and Parks & Recreation.

Anderson said Happy New Year to everyone; in this new year underscore importance of working together; also in the budget we just passed emphasize we are in hard economic times; as mentioned in past meetings, we must be very diligent and have asked administration to provide that leadership; keep us updated so we know more as we move

forward; congratulations to everyone and to new leadership; moving forward with a positive attitude.

McGregor wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Kneeland thanked everyone who came out; congratulations to ward folks who were reelected; looking forward to making some progressive movement in finding new ways for financing; we all share that concern; should have a very prosperous and challenging 2010.

S. ADJOURNMENT: 10:26 a.m. - Motion by McAlister.

Isobel L. Sherwood, MMC
Clerk of Council

APPROVED by the City Council, this
day of 2010.

Thomas R. Kneeland
President of Council